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SUBJ: IS SOMALI EX-PRIME MINISTER EGAL ABROAD?

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1. DURING CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN ADDIS/MOGADISCIO EMBOFFS AND GODFROY, FRENCH ADVISOR TO TFAI COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT PRESIDENT ALI AREF (CF REFTTEL), GODFROY REPEATED INTERNATIONAL RADIO REPORT THAT SOMALI EX-PREMIER IBRAHIM EGAL HAD "GONE TO LONDON ON OFFICIAL MISSION."

2. GODGROY STATED THAT, IF TRUE, SUCH NEWS WAS VERY IMPORTANT IN THE SOMALIA/TFAI CONTEXT. EGAL, HE SAID, HAD COMMUNICATED WITH ALI AREF AS OTEN AS POSSIBLE AND HAD INDICATED FERVENT DESIRE TO FLEE SOMALIA FOR EXILE UNTIL SIAD GOVT COULD BE OVERTHROWN.

3. GODFROY BELIEVES THAT EGAL, AS A NORTHERNER, HOLDS THE ALLEGIANCE OF MANY NORTHERN SOMALIS IN TFAI AND HARGEISA

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REGION. AS SUCH, GODFROY SAID, EGAL COULD PROVIDE FOCAL

POINT FOR PRO-WEST, ANTI-SIAD SOMALI GOVT IRN MENT IN
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